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WORK COMPLETED ON THREE OF FIVE SLOPES ON SR-18 NEAR ARCTIC CIRCLE

San Bernardino County - The majority of the slope repair has been completed on State Route 18 in the area known as "Arctic Circle" located below Big Bear Dam. Three of five slopes, which were damaged in October storms, have been repaired. The passing lane on SR-18 will be restored and restriped back to two lanes by Tuesday morning, November 22nd.

The repair of remaining two slopes is expected to take place and be completed by the end of December 2005, weather permitting. The \$1 million emergency funded project includes rebuilding five slopes, reinstallation of guardrail, and drainage repairs.

For more information on other roadwork, please go to our website at www.dot.ca.gov/dist8 and go to "Press Releases". You may also call our Public Affairs office at (909) 383-4631.

Motorists are advised to use caution when driving on mountain roads. When you come to the work zone, slow down. When you see orange cones, hang up your phone and pay attention. Saving a life is more important than anything - SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE!!!



